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SUBJECT: EXPORTS OF FROZEN OCTOPUS

1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE HAS RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM SEAMARK CORP. COMMONWEALTH PIER, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS FOR INFORMATION ON FIRMS WHICH COULD PROVIDE FROZEN OCTOPUS. SEAMARK IS A MAJOR U.S. IMPORTER OF SEAFOOD AND WISHES TO IMPORT SEVERAL HUNDRED TONS OF OCTOPUS ANNUALLY FROM TUNISIA. SEAMARK PRESIDENT SID COHEN PLANS TO VISIT TUNISIA IN EARLY SEPTEMBER AND WOULD LIKE TO VISIT PLANTS WHERE OCTOPUS AND OTHER FISHERIES PRODUCTS ARE PROCESSED.

2. NMFS REQUESTS INFORMATION ON COMPANIES HARVESTING, PROCESSING, AND EXPORTING OCTOPUS, THE METHODS AND VESSELS USED, AND ANY OTHER AVAILABLE INFORMATION. A LIST OF TUNISIAN COMPANIES WHICH PRODUCE HIGH QUALITY  
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FROZEN OCTOPUS IS REQUESTED.

3. EUGENE GRASBERG OF THE AGRIBUSINESS COUNCIL OF NEW YORK HAS REQUESTED INFORMATION ON FISH MEAL PLANTS AND PRODUCTION IN TUNISIA. ANY INFORMATION WOULD BE APPRECIATED. VANCE

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